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Attorney Docket No.	LEX-0161-USA
First Inventor	D. Wade Walke et al.
Title	Novel Human Metalloprotease and Polynucleotides Encoding the Same
Express Mail label No.	EL736742468US

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 See 37 CFR 1.27.

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- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
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 named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.65(d)(2) and 1.33(b)

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8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

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